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**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR STORING AND ACCESSING
DATA IN AN INTERLOCKING TREES DATASTORE WITH
MEANS FOR OBTAINING PROBABILITIES THEREFROM**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

A substitute specification is submitted herewith which contains all the claims of the parent application and adds subject matter. As this application is a CIP, Applicant cancels all claims (except claim 1 to retain continuity, which will be cancelled later) and by way of this Preliminary Amendment adds 38 new claims, numbered from 36 et al.

This application claims priority from US. Pat. App. No. 10/385,421, filed 03/10/03.